

Crop Progress and Condition



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Several Regions of Idaho Impacted By Storm in Northern Rockies

There were 5.9 days suitable for fieldwork in Idaho last week, up from 5.4 the previous week. Good harvest conditions were reported early in the week. A large storm arrived late in the week. This weather event brought heavy moisture and much colder temperatures to the northern and eastern regions of the state. The northern region of the state received several inches of moisture. The cool, wet weather helped improve pasture and range conditions. The wet weather also delayed the final harvest of spring wheat acres and garbanzo beans in Benewah County. Most winter wheat was planted in Boundary County and some had emerged. The southwest portion of the state remained dry. Onions and hops harvests started to wrap up. The eastern region of Idaho reported lower temperatures as the storm progressed up the eastern half of the state. Rain fell in Teton County on Saturday. This moisture slowed the hay harvest. The colder temperatures turned rain to snow in the high country and several freeze warnings were issued in the eastern portions of the state.

Good Harvest and Planting Progress Reported in Oregon Despite Challenging Weather Conditions

There were 5.9 days suitable for fieldwork in Oregon last week, up from 5.7 the previous week. Weekend temperatures dropped some throughout the state and a rain and snow mix was reported. In the northern coastal regions of Oregon, the corn silage harvest was conducted intermittently between rain storms. Several silage fields were still standing. The silage harvest progress was notable given the above average rainfall recorded in September. In north central Oregon, grain producers continued winter wheat seeding. With decent moisture in the ground, Sherman County seeded wheat ahead of the normal planting window. In the northeastern region, the weather dried out enough to get hay baled and put up. Winter canola emerged and looked good in Umatilla County. In southwestern Oregon, the cranberry crop continued to look good. Temperatures remained warm. Fall pasture growth improved with the warmer temperatures and precipitation. Seasonal streams started to rise. In the south central and southeastern regions, colder temperatures and continued rain impacted the hay harvest in Crook, Deschutes, and Jefferson Counties. Colder morning temperatures and frost were reported in Lake and Harney Counties.

Washington: Damp and Delayed

There were 4.1 days suitable for fieldwork in Washington last week, down from 4.9 days suitable the previous week. Western Washington had cold, wet weather for the week. Soil moisture recovered from the summer drought. Work conditions were wet and field work slowed down. Pastures rebounded and grass was supple. Alfalfa was about knee-high. Some areas received six to eight inches of rain for the month. Saturated soil prevented potato harvest. Tomato harvest suffered from blight due to the increased moisture and cold nights. Producers scrambled to harvest tender crops due to the cold temperatures. The fifth and final cutting of grass silage was chopped in Whatcom County. Corn and seed potato harvest finished up. Okanagan and Ferry Counties had to delay wheat harvest and second and third cuttings of hay due to moisture. Kittitas and Yakima Counties remained dry. Snow, rain, and then more snow hit Pend Oreille, Lincoln, and Spokane Counties. Adams and Lincoln Counties still had to complete winter wheat seeding and reseeding due to cold and wet conditions. The last few acres of spring wheat had yet to be harvested. The Palouse had freezing temperatures at night. Seeding slowed to a halt.

Soil Moisture Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 09/29/19

Item and State	Very short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture Idaho Oregon Washington	5 8 2	33 18 13	58 73 74	4 1 11
Subsoil moisture Idaho Oregon Washington	10 11 4	35 36 16	54 52 80	1 1

⁻ Represents zero.

Pasture, Range, and Crop Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 09/29/19

Crop and State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Pasture and range Idaho Oregon Washington	2	4	29	52	13
	6	23	32	33	6
	7	22	37	32	2
Potatoes Idaho Washington	- -	2 2	10 22	52 71	36 5
Corn Idaho Oregon Washington	-	2	12	78	8
	1	6	36	46	11
	-	4	29	67	-
Sugarbeets Idaho Oregon Washington	-	-	16	48	36
	-	4	36	60	-
	-	-	33	34	33

⁻ Represents zero.

Crop Progress — Idaho: Week Ending 09/29/19

	Percent completed				
Crop and activity	This	Last	Last	5 Year	
	week	week	year	average	
Winter wheat planted	43	27	51	49	
Winter wheat emerged	12	3	13	14	
Oats harvested	95	90	100	98	
Potatoes harvested	38	27	52	46	
Sugarbeets harvested	21	10	25	24	
Field corn dented	95	80	99	(NA)	
Field corn mature	70	42	79	(NA)	
Field corn harvested for grain	3	-	26	19	
Field corn harvested for silage	39	20	64	59	
Dry edible beans harvested	63	51	85	84	
Onions harvested	85	75	72	70	
Alfalfa hay 3rd cutting	95	91	97	96	
Alfalfa hay 4th cutting	60	47	63	53	

⁻ Represents zero.

(NA) Not available.

Crop Progress — Oregon: Week Ending 09/29/19

	Percent completed				
Crop and activity	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average	
Winter wheat planted	43	21	30	26	
Winter wheat emerged	19	3	6	6	
Potatoes harvested	72	66	61	-1	
Sugarbeets harvested	16	10	18	4	
Field corn harvested for grain	25	18	18	13	
Field corn harvested for silage	35	26	52	(NA)	
Dry edible beans harvested	80	68	73	(NA)	
Onions harvested	81	76	44	(NA)	

(NA) Not available.

Crop Progress — Washington: Week Ending 09/29/19

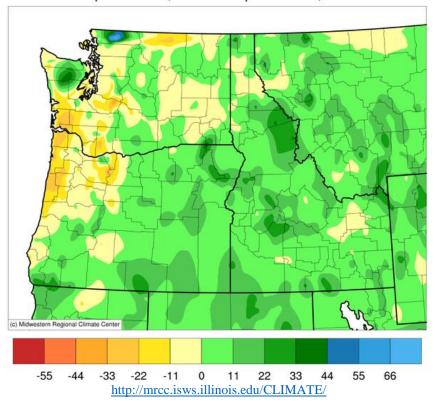
	Percent completed			
Crop and activity	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Spring wheat harvested	93	91	100	100
Winter wheat planted	61	47	68	65
Winter wheat emerged	13	5	33	38
Barley harvested	88	84	100	100
Oats harvested	95	92	99	(NA)
Potatoes harvested	54	42	45	60
Sugarbeets harvested	55	30	37	(NA)
Field corn dented	80	58	85	76
Field corn mature	40	16	62	41
Field corn harvested for grain	1	-	25	13
Field corn harvested for silage	47	32	60	58
Dry edible beans harvested	66	51	91	92
Dry peas harvested	91	86	100	100
Onions harvested	72	64	69	(NA)
Alfalfa hay 3rd cutting	96	94	99	99
Alfalfa hay 4th cutting	67	54	63	70

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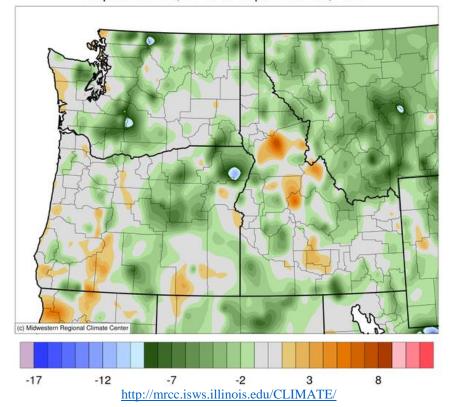
Accumulated Precipitation (in): Departure from 1981-2010 Normals

September 01, 2018 to September 30, 2019



Average Temperature (°F): Departure from 1981-2010 Normals

September 23, 2018 to September 30, 2019



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